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APPLICATION OF COMMUNITY	§	STATE OFFICE OF AMINISTRATIVE 1 SSION
WATER SERVICE, INC. AND	§	FILING CLERK
WALTER J. CARROLL FOR SALE,	§	\mathbf{OF}
TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN ELLIS COUNTY (37981-	§	HEARINGS
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STATUS UPDATE

TO THE HONORABLE LILO D. POMERLEAU:

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Status Update. Staff states the following:

On March 12, 2015, a prehearing conference was convened before the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for the above referenced matter. SOAH Order No. 2 memorialized the prehearing conference, and Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Lilo D. Pomerleau instructed Staff to file a proposed procedural schedule. SOAH Order No. 3 adopted the procedural schedule agreed to by the parties and provided that a hearing on the merits be held on August 20, 2015.

On July 16, 2015, all the parties engaged in a settlement conference, and the parties were able to negotiate a tentative settlement. In response to a request from the parties, ALJ Pomerleau abated the case with SOAH Order No. 4 and instructed the parties to file a status update by August 20, 2015.

The parties continue to work diligently towards a settlement agreement, and propose to file a status update on or before October 15, 2015.

Counsel for Walter J Carrol Water Co, Inc. explained to Staff that its most recent filings were to preserve testimony only if needed in the future and were not filed pursuant to any existing procedural schedule or hearing date.

Staff conferred with the representatives of the other parties, and no party objects to this pleading.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on August 19,

2015 in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74.

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